wherein the hinge part to which the control rod is coupled can be displaced jointly with and in the direction of the control rod relative to a corresponding hinge part assigned to a gudgeon of the supporting arm.

- 12. (New) The door coupling according to claim 11, wherein the hinge part which is assigned to the remote end of the control rod can be displaced relative to the corresponding hinge part of the supporting arm by a slot being formed in at least one of the two hinge parts.
- 13. (New) The door coupling according to claim 11, wherein the hinge parts displaceable relative to each other can be fastened via screws to the door, and that, in at least one of the door hinge parts, holes are provided as slots in the direction of the x-axis of the vehicle for receiving the screws.
- 14. (New) The door coupling according to claim 11, wherein the supporting arm comprises a base supporting arm, at least one supporting arm part which can be detached from said base supporting arm and means for the mutual fastening of the base supporting arm and supporting arm part, wherein the at least one supporting arm part comprises the two gudgeons provided at one end of the supporting arm, and wherein an axis passing through a tangent plane defined by facing surfaces of the base supporting arm and the supporting arm part allows adjustment of the supporting arm part with respect to the base supporting arm by mutual twisting around a pivot axis which is substantially perpendicular with respect to the tangent plane.
- 15. (New) The door coupling according to claim 14, wherein the pivot axis is arranged between the gudgeons of the supporting arm part, and, at a distance from the pivot axis, at least one fixing and guide element passes through the tangent plane of the base supporting arm and supporting arm part.
- 16. (New) The door coupling according to claim 15, wherein the fixing and guide element at least comprises a slot which is formed along a circular arc around the pivot axis in the end side of the base supporting arm or the supporting arm part and a hole which is arranged on the corresponding circular arc in the side of the respectively other part of the base supporting arm

and supporting arm part, the supporting arm part being releasably fixable in each rotational position with respect to the base supporting arm by means of at least two spaced-apart fixing elements, on the one hand in the pivot axis and on the other hand on a circular arc at a distance thereto.

17. (New) The door coupling according to claim 15, wherein the fixing and guide elements comprise a screw and nut element.

18. (New) The door coupling according to claim 14, wherein the at least one supporting arm part faces the door.

19. (New) The door coupling according to claim 14, wherein the axis passing through the tangent plane is the axis of a screw and coincides with the pivot axis.

20. (New) The door coupling according to claim 14, wherein, with the door closed, the pivot axis lies essentially in the horizontal and parallel to the direction of travel of the motor vehicle.

## **REMARKS**

Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Support for all new claims is found in the specification as originally filed. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

